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1. EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR MAHMOUD RAISED EQYPT-ISRAEL AGREEMENT
LAST NIGHT WITH DOVE-EDWIN, NUMBER THREE MAN IN MEA WHOM HE
ENCOUNTERED SOCIALLY. WITH BOTH GARBA AND SANUSI REPORTEDLY
LEAVING TODAY FOR A WEEK IN LONDON, DOVE-EDWIN PRESUMABLY
NOW ACTING COMMISSIONER.

HE TOLD MAHMOUD THAT FMG DELIGHTED WITH NEW ACCORD. MAHMOUD
ASKED WHETHER FMG WOULD SAY SO PUBLICLY IF EQYPTIAN GOVERNMENT
WERE TO REQUEST IT. DOVE-EDWIN SAID YES, PROVIDED QTE AN APPROPRIATE
OCCASION UNQTE WERE TO PRESENT ITSELF. MAHMOUD SAID HE
THOUGHT A QUESTION FROM THE PRESS, PERHAPS AT SOME FUTURE
PRESS CONFERENCE, WOULD PROVIDE THE RIGHT KIND OF PEG FOR
SUCH A STATEMENT. MAHMOUD SAID HIS EMBASSY HAD QTE CONNECTIONS
UNQTE WITH THE DAILY EXPRESS AND THOUGHT HE COULD ORCHESTRATE
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THE QUESTION.

2. MAHMOUD GIVES ME THE FOLLOWING SCORECARD ON HIS TALKS WITH OTHER AMBASSADORS IN LAGOS CONCERNING THEIR GOVERNMENTS' VIEWS OF THE AGREEMENT. QTE NON-COMMUNIST UNQTE AFRICAN COUNTRIES ARE UNIFORMLY ENTHUSIASTIC. (MAHMOUD'S LIST OF AFRICAN COMMUNISTS INCLUDES ZAIRE, WHICH MAY CAST SOME DOUBT ON HOW SUBSTANTIAL IS HIS LIST OF GOOD GUYS.) THE BULGARIAN AMBASSADOR IS ATTACKING THE AGREEMENT SO VIOLENTLY AND IRRATIONALLY, WITHOUT HAVING READ IT, THAT IT IS CLEAR HE IS UNDER INSTRUCTION FROM SOFIA AND MOSCOW. THE EAST GERMAN IS SKEPTICAL BUT TOO GENTLEMANLY TO BE RUDE. THE YUGOSLAV WILL NOT BE DRAWN OUT. THE SYRIAN AND IRAQUI ARE STRONGLY AND OPENLY OPPOSED. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IS WARM IN HIS PRAISE.

3. MEANWHILE, BACK IN THE EQYPTIAN EMBASSY CODEROOM, A LONE CIPHER CLERK PLUGS AWAY AT THE SEVENTEEN-PAGE INSTRUCTION FROM CAIRO. AS HE IS FASTING FOR RAMADAN, HIS STAMINA IS LOW AND HE CAN ONLY WORK TWELVE HOURS A DAY. MAHMOUD SAYS IT WILL BE QTE AT LEAST SUNDAY UNQTE BEFORE HE CAN INFORM ME WHETHER HE IS INSTRUCTED TO MAKE A DEMARCH.
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